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In re Continuation-In-Part Application of:)
PCT/GB00/02493)
Inventor: Steven Martin HUDSON) Group Art Unit:
Serial No.: Not Yet Assigned) Examiner:
Filed: January 2, 2002)
For: ANODE MONITORING AND)
SUBSEA PIPELINE POWER)
TRANSMISSION)

**Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231**

Sir:

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Please amend the specification as follows:

Page 1, after the title, please add the following new heading and new paragraph:

--CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a Continuation-In-Part of International Patent Application No.
PCT/GB00/02493, filed June 23, 2000, claiming priority of Great Britain Patent
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REMARKS

The examiner is respectfully requested to consider the above preliminary amendment prior to examination of the application.


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Respectfully submitted,

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